

REMARKS

In response to the examiner's requirement for election of a single disclosed species, the applicants elect the compounds of formula I wherein:

R = COOH

X = NR<sup>14</sup>

Y = O

Z = O

The examiner's requirement for election/restriction is traversed. The examiner's reference to "...Table, Table 2, Table 4 " is not understood. However, the examiner's mere reference to the breadth of compounds encompassed by formula I does not serve to support the examiner's assertion of lack of unity of invention. The examiner's position is conclusionary. All of the compounds share as a common technical feature the heterocyclic moiety wherein X is nitrogen or CR<sup>14</sup> and therefore represent a single general inventive concept. Favorable reconsideration is solicited.

Claim 1 has been amended in accordance with U.S. practice.

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